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Applicant : Daniel Stearns et al.

Attorney Docket: CIL-10843

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Examiner: C. Brown

For : A Method To Repair Localized Amplitude  
Defects In A EUV Lithography Mask Blank**FAX RECEIVED**  
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GROUP 1700**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

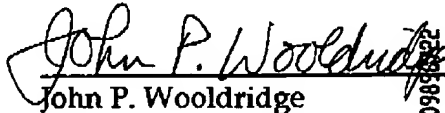
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension fee for a one month extension (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1) is \$110.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge this fee (\$110) to Deposit Account Number 501913.

If any impediments remain, please contact the undersigned at 925-456-2279.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: April 18, 2003